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**PLACER COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT AWARDS \$1 MILLION
IN CLEAN AIR GRANTS**

Auburn, Calif., April 15, 2011 -- The Placer County Air Pollution Control District today announced that it is awarding \$1 million in 2011 Clean Air Grant funds to 15 projects that will reduce air pollution in Placer County.

“The Clean Air Grant program directly supports our primary goal of improving Placer County’s air quality,” said Tom Christofk, Placer County Air Pollution Control Officer. “It’s important that we support proactive approaches to reduce harmful emissions in the County. By funding the approved grant projects this year, an estimated 78 tons of emissions will be reduced within the county over the next several years.”

In all, the District received 24 project applications seeking more than \$2.7 million in grant funding.

The 2011 grant awards were approved by the Placer County Air Pollution Control District Board of Directors at its April 14, 2011, board meeting. Types of projects that received grant awards were: 1) upgrades of heavy duty on and off road equipment; 2) congestion mitigation and outreach projects; 3) and forest waste (biomass) to energy conversion projects.

The Clean Air Grant program is an annual program that has been implemented since 2001. It is designed to reduce criteria air pollutants primarily from mobile sources which are not already regulated by air quality laws. Over the past decade, a total of \$12.5 million in funds has been awarded through the grant program and an estimated 919 tons of criteria pollutant emissions have been reduced within the County.

The next Clean Air Grant open solicitation period will be open from January through February of 2012. Go to www.placer.ca.gov/apcd during this time for more information.

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2011 Clean Air Grant Awardees

Applicant	Project Title	Grant Amount
SPI	Off-Road Equipment Modernization - Wheel Loader	\$272,420
City of Auburn	Update of Auburn Transit Schedule	\$6,500
Don Robinson Sand & Gravel	On-Road Fleet Modernization - 3 for 1	\$83,000
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Greco Farming	Off-Road Equipment Modernization - Ag. Tractor	\$157,284
Hansen Brothers Enterprises	Off-Road Equipment Repower - Loader	\$23,653
High Sierra Marine, Inc.	Harbor Craft Repower	\$34,218
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K.P. Martin Inc.	Off-Road Equipment Modernization - Excavator	\$104,000
PCTPA	CMP	\$15,000
PCTPA	FSP	\$35,000
Placer County Planning Dept.	Biomass Conversion Program	\$35,000
RJUHSD	2010 Contract Amendment	\$2,500
Sacramento Metro Air Quality Management District	LESBP Match - 4 Bus Replacements	\$100,000
Westcon Construction Corp.	Off-Road Equipment Modernization - Bobcat Loader	\$60,000